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# VITAL SIGNS

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## Let's Begin (



Welcome to the first issue of the revitalized biannual eHLbc newsletter: Vital Signs!

As one way of empowering and supporting eHLbc members - a strategic direction identified by the consortium - eHLbc has breathed new life into its previously defunct newsletter. Beyond a name change, the revived version of

eHLbc's newsletter will feature significantly shorter articles (we get it - you're busy!) while maintaining its original purpose: to keep members up to date with eHLbc consortium news.

We hope this newsletter is a useful communication tool. This first issue was created by Prubjot Gill, eHLbc's 2019 Co-op Librarian.

So sit back, enjoy a hot beverage, and take a break by catching up on the latest eHLbc happenings.

### eHLbc All Member Meeting



Every few years, the eHLbc consortium has hosted an in-person All Member Meeting for all members. This year's meeting took place on November 15, 2019 at the Hyatt Regency in Downtown Vancouver. Members of the eHLbc community connected and collaborated across the health and post-secondary sectors throughout the day.

After a warm welcome from Mary Anne Guenther on behalf of the eHLbc Management Committee, Anita Cocchia led an ice breaker activity, where members discussed words that were identified as key shared values and how they relate to the eHLbc community.

Following the ice breaker, Leah Hopton of the BC Electronic Library Network led a Governance Review discussion. Starting with a history of how eHLbc's governance structure was set up, the group explored potential adjustments so that the structure continues to fit the organization today. One adjustment was the name change from Steering Committee to the All Member Group from this point forward. Ideas and thoughts shared at the meeting will be brought forward to the Management Committee for further discussion and further action.

After lunch, Sunni Nishimura of the eHLbc Admin Centre provided a Strategic Actions Update of what the consortium has accomplished since the previous meeting, and what projects are currently underway. Progress reports are available on the eHLbc website, and can be accessed <u>here</u>.

In the afternoon, Megan Robertson of the BC Electronic Library Network facilitated a Knowledge Sharing Marketplace activity where each table brainstormed the top superpowers that they possessed, and which might be areas of focus for future knowledge sharing meetings. This activity was a big hit amongst members and was a great opportunity for eHLbc members to collaborate and learn from one another via a unique, interactive exercise.

As in the past, eHLbc members were the key component in ensuring this meeting was a success. A sincere thank you to all members for your participation, engagement, and energy throughout the meeting!

### **New Member: Columbia Bible College**

We are happy to report that Columbia Bible College (CBC) joined eHLbc as an affiliate member! CBC is a private post-secondary institution located in Abbotsford, BC. In mid-October, CBC started their newly approved Health Care Assistant (HCA) program. As a member of the eHLbc consortium, CBC will have access to eHLbc's licensed eResources, which will support the teaching and learning of CBC students in the HCA program.

Including our newest member, eHLbc is 51 members strong, with membership across the post-secondary, health, and government sectors.



### Congratulations Cathy!

The Admin Centre would like to congratulate Cathy Rayment of the BC Cancer Agency on her upcoming retirement in mid-January!

Cathy has been a part of eHLbc since its inception and was instrumental in the consortium's development and success. Her support for eHLbc has been invaluable to the consortium and we wish her the very best in her future endeavours!

## Licensing Updates



## Elsevier's Clinical Skills licence - 5-year extension approved!

The eHLbc licensing team is pleased to announce that the current Health Authority Clinical Skills contract has been extended for an additional five years (2021-2025), at a low

2% annual increase including three optional add-on modules (Paediatric, Perioperative, and Respiratory Care).

This extension means that students and health care professionals will have ongoing access to this essential clinical resource as they deliver expert patient care. For health authorities, it means they can continue to expect the same predictable pricing increases.

#### EBSCO's Dynamed - Renewal & branding change

Pricing is now available for EBSCO's Dynamed product. On August 21, 2019, a new version of Dynamed was released with some added content/functionality, including:

- Upgraded interface and redesigned content presentation
- · Improved search functionality for unprecedented speed to clinical answers
- Updated continuous CME tracking
- Maintenance of Certification (MOC) credits
- Single Sign-On (SSO) integration with Cerner
- Personalized content and user experience
- Seamless access across devices and workflows

Information on the new Dynamed product, including promotional material, can be found <u>here</u>.

Dynamed's subscription term is January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020. Late subscribers are welcome.

### Website Updates

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Vaughn Postgate from the eHLbc Admin Centre has been working hard updating guides and creating video tutorials for the eHLbc website.

The updated guides can be accessed through our Training & Support page, which can be found - <u>here</u>

#### The newly added video guides include:

- 1. eHLbc Referrer Set-up Video Guide here
- 2. eHLbc Referrer Patron Video Guide here

A sincere thank you to Vaughn for her hard work on this project. If you have any questions regarding the training guides, or anything on the eHLbc website, feel free to contact us at **office@ehlbc.ca**.

### **Coming Soon: eHLbc Discussion Forum**

Flowing from eHLbc's strategic direction to 'Empower and Support eHLbc Members', and in response to member interest, the Admin Centre is developing an online discussion forum on the eHLbc website. The eHLbc forum will be a space for eHLbc members to communicate informally with one another regarding

eHLbc eResources, including client support, training/tips, troubleshooting, feedback, suggestions for future licenses, as well as general discussion.

Currently, we are in the beta-testing stage to create an optimized version of the

forum that is user-friendly and a useful communication tool for our members. Keep an eye out for an email announcing the official launch of the forum in the New Year!

## Happy Holidays! (

We would like to wish our members a warm and happy holiday season. May the holidays be a welcome break and full of joy as we head into the New Year!



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